

Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentives Program

Round 3 Recommendations for Funding

Agenda Item #7
Strategic Growth Council
June 3, 2014

PURPOSE & AUTHORITY

SB 732 (2008, Steinberg) created the SGC and established the Sustainable Communities Planning Grant and Incentives program.

- Budget Act of 2010-11 authorized \$63 million for planning grants
- Approximately \$16 million is available for Round 3

OVERVIEW & INTENT OF GRANT PROGRAM

- Fund plans that lead to GHG reductions consistent with State's Planning Priorities, AB 32, and Environmental Goals and Policy Report *(if adopted)*

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

- Improve air and water quality
- Promote public health
- Promote equity
- Increase housing affordability
- Increase infill and compact development
- Revitalize urban and community centers
- Protect natural resources and agricultural lands
- Reduce automobile usage and fuel consumption
- Improve infrastructure systems
- Promote water conservation
- Promote energy efficiency and conservation
- Strengthen the economy

FOCUS AREAS

1. Innovative Incentives for Sustainable Development Implementation
2. Sustainable Community Planning for Transit Priority Areas
3. Collaborative Community Planning in Preparation for High Speed Rail

— NO PREDETERMINED RATIO FOR FUNDING ACROSS FOCUS AREAS

APPLICATIONS BY FOCUS AREA

Innovative Incentives for Sustainable Development Implementation	75
Sustainable Community Planning for Transit Priority Areas	11
Collaborative Community Planning in Preparation for High Speed Rail	2

APPLICATIONS BY REGION

Los Angeles region	28
San Joaquin Valley region	18
Bay Area region	14
San Diego region	8
Sacramento region	6
Central Coast region	6
Northern California region	6
Eastern Sierras region	1
Tahoe Metropolitan Planning Organization	1

APPLICATIONS BY LEAD APPLICANT TYPE

City	60
County	11
Council of Governments	6
Metropolitan Planning Organizations	5
Regional Transportation Planning Agencies	5
Joint Powers Authorities	1

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE SET-ASIDE

Priority Consideration of Environmental Justice Communities:

- 25% of the total funding in this Round will be set-aside for qualified EJC applications
- Waives the local match requirement
- EJC applicants may also submit one additional application in the primary funding pool

ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE SET-ASIDE

Eligibility:

- Plan area must include all or part of an Environmental Justice Community (EJC)
 - Communities with the top 10% of statewide scores using CalEnviroScreen (*version 1.1*)
- Proposal must “**specifically target and directly benefit**” that EJC
- Proposal must select “Promote Equity” as one of its three Priority Objectives

REVIEW PROCESS

- Applications submitted via FFAST system run by the State Water Board
- Scored by a panel of three reviewers
- Group consensus meeting
 - With additional discussion on applications with 20+ point difference from reviewers
- Policy Considerations
- Final Recommendations to Council

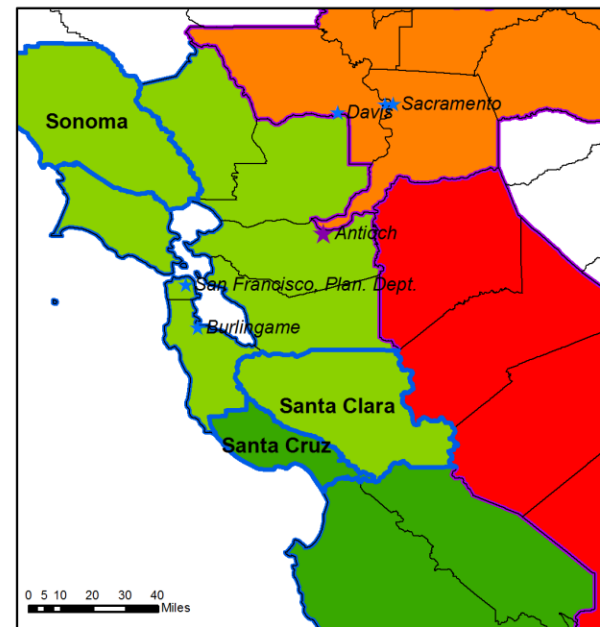
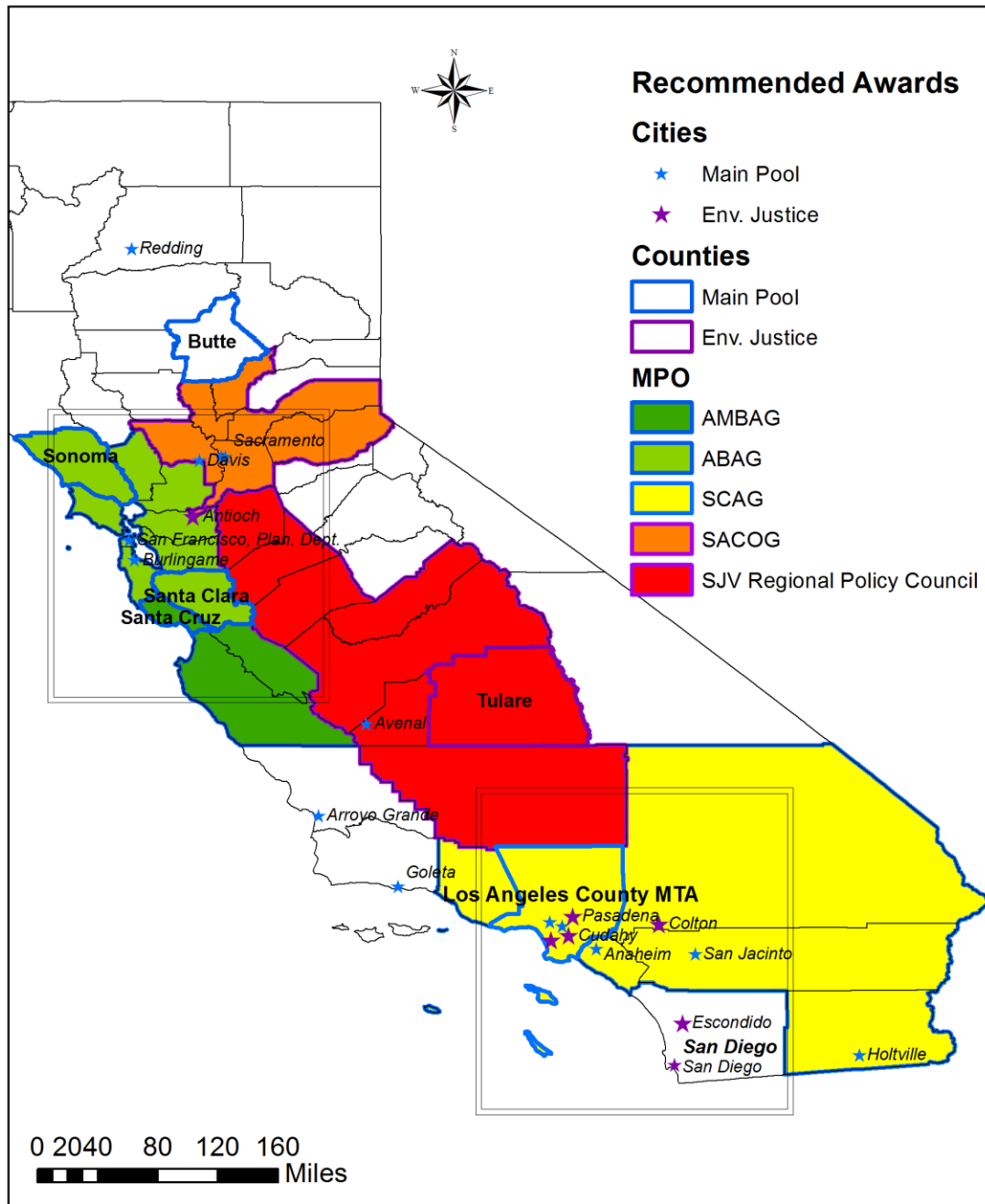
REVIEW PROCESS

Representatives from the following entities reviewed and scored applications:

- Governor's Office of Planning and Research
- Transportation Agency
- Caltrans
- Department of Public Health
- Environmental Protection Agency
- High-Speed Rail Authority
- Energy Commission
- Department of Water Resources
- Department of Housing and Community Development
- Department of Forestry and Fire Protection
- Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Water Resources Control Board

POLICY CONSIDERATIONS

- Environmental Justice Set-Aside goal of 25%
- Regional Distribution
- Past Grantee Performance
- 1.646% reduction to all awards



SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES PLANNING GRANT AND INCENTIVES PROGRAM

OVERVIEW OF RECOMMENDED AWARDS

ALL Applications--Recommended Awards							
Region	Apps Submitted	Apps Recommended	% of Awards Recommended	Recommended Amount	Population (2010)	Dollars Per Capita (2010 pop.)	Dollars Per Capita (2035 pop.)
Southern CA	28	12	43%	\$5,579,177	18,073,108	\$0.31	\$0.26
Bay Area	14	6	43%	\$3,798,031	7,164,602	\$0.53	\$0.46
San Joaquin Valley	18	3	17%	\$1,829,943	3,978,303	\$0.46	\$0.30
San Diego	8	2	25%	\$959,586	3,102,745	\$0.31	\$0.26
Sacramento	6	4	67%	\$2,345,625	2,319,939	\$1.01	\$ 0.76
Central Coast	6	4	67%	\$1,142,365	1,428,632	\$0.80	\$0.68
Northern CA	6	2	33%	\$572,013	1,051,470	\$0.54	\$0.43
Eastern Sierras	1	0	0%	-	190,583	-	-
Tahoe MPO	1	0	0%	-	55,000	-	-
TOTAL	88	33		\$16,226,740			

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OVERVIEW OF RECOMMENDED AWARDS

Environmental Justice Applications--Recommended Awards							
Region	Apps Submitted	Apps Recommended	% of Awards Recommended	Recommended Amount	Population (2010)	Dollars Per Capita (2010 pop.)	Dollars Per Capita (2035 pop.)
Southern CA	13	5	38%	\$1,740,557	18,073,108	\$0.10	\$0.08
Bay Area	4	1	25%	\$426,857	7,164,602	\$0.06	\$0.05
San Joaquin Valley	8	2	25%	\$1,371,805	3,978,303	\$0.34	\$0.22
San Diego	3	1	33%	\$172,754	3,102,745	\$0.06	\$0.05
Sacramento	1	1	100%	\$885,186	2,319,939	\$0.38	\$0.29
Central Coast	0	0	-	-	1,428,632	-	-
Northern CA	0	0	-	-	1,051,470	-	-
Eastern Sierras	0	0	-	-	190,583	-	-
Tahoe MPO	0	0	-	-	55,000	-	-
TOTAL	29	10		\$ 4,597,159			

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OVERVIEW OF RECOMMENDED AWARDS

Main Pool Applications--Recommended Awards							
Region	Apps Submitted	Apps Recommended	% of Awards Recommended	Recommended Amount	Population (2010)	Dollars Per Capita (2010 pop.)	Dollars Per Capita (2035 pop.)
Southern CA	15	7	47%	\$3,838,620	18,073,108	\$0.21	\$0.18
Bay Area	10	5	50%	\$3,371,175	7,164,602	\$0.47	\$0.41
San Joaquin Valley	10	1	10%	\$458,138	3,978,303	\$0.12	\$0.07
San Diego	5	1	20%	\$786,832	3,102,745	\$0.25	\$0.22
Sacramento	5	3	60%	\$1,460,439	2,319,939	\$0.63	\$0.48
Central Coast	6	4	67%	\$1,142,365	1,428,632	\$0.80	\$0.68
Northern CA	6	2	33%	\$572,012	1,051,470	\$0.54	\$0.43
Eastern Sierras	1	0	0%	-	190,583	-	-
Tahoe MPO	1	0	0%	-	55,000	-	-
TOTAL	59	23		\$11,679,581			

SUBSTITUTION LIST

RECOMMENDED COUNCIL ACTION

Approve 33 recommended awards (*Appendix A*) and the project substitution list (*Appendix B*) should unexpended funds become available.

Questions/Comments?